



ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Catholic Education

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Dear St. Sebastian School Community,

Easter Greetings to you All! Alleluia, Alleluia! We pray it was a special holy day - and - holiday for our entire community.

Our Gospel reading at today's all-school liturgy involves Jesus speaking to a crowd, sharing that he is the *Bread of Life*. One of our students shared a reflection on the "bread" and physical nourishment we typically think of when hearing the word, versus the "bread" Jesus speaks of when giving himself through the sacrifice of the Eucharist as our spiritual nourishment, which we know is far more powerful.



***When the journey is long and we hunger and thirst,
Bread of Life, you sustain us.
When the road is hard and our bodies weak,
Bread of Life, you heal us.
When our spirits are low and we can't carry on,
Bread of Life, you revive us.
When we offer our hand in love and in service,
Bread of life, you bless us.
When the challenge is great and the workers are few,
Bread of Life, you empower us.
When the victory is won and we see your face,
Bread of Life, you will rejoice with us!***

www.faithandworship.com/Jesus_bread_of_life.htm

Have a great week and a blessed Easter season!

Ms. Grams

SPECIAL DRESS DAY – This Friday, May 3rd, students and staff may wear Bucks clothes or colors to cheer on our city’s awesome team in the playoffs! OR Star Wars attire (no fake weapons) for Saturday’s “May the 4th be with you” day. Jeans, sweat pants, uniform clothing or Seb’s spirit wear is OK also. (No leggings unless bottoms are completely covered.)

GRANDPARENTS/VIP DAY – All grandparents and special guests are invited to visit on Friday, May 17th, from 8:00 – 10:30 AM. Please join us for Mass from 8:10 – 9:10 (sit with your children), followed by refreshments, light snacks and visits to the classrooms. Please join us!

2019-2020 CALENDAR – Next year’s school calendar is attached to today’s newsletter. Note that Thursday, August 22nd, is our “Drop in Day” from 4:00 – 7:00 PM. This is counted as the student’s first day of school. The photographers will be here to take yearbook photos. There is no school on Friday, August 23rd. The first day of instruction for grade K5 - 8 is Monday, August 26th. K4 students will begin on a different schedule.

SAVE THE DATE OF SATURDAY MAY 4TH FOR THE ANNUAL SCRAP METAL DRIVE!
Start saving cans and any scrap metal NOW:) Parents interested in volunteering their time and/or trailer to haul scrap metal can contact Corina Gencuski at [414 702-1023](tel:4147021023). We will be on the playground from 8:00 – 2:00.

SUMMER HELP FOR YOUR CHILD - Mrs. Janice Hauf, a certified primary teacher with over thirty years of experience, is available for tutoring your child this summer. Mrs. Hauf is a full-time substitute teacher at Saint Sebastian School and other District 12 schools. Please call 339-4369 to leave your name and number. All sessions are held at Saint Sebastian School or The Wauwatosa Public Library. Keeping your child sharp and confident is imperative. I am happy to assist in this one-on-one environment!

FISH FRY ARTICLE – Enjoy reading this great review for our famous St. Sebastian fish fry.
<https://milwaukeearecord.com/food-drink/275-friday-fish-frys-and-counting-saint-sebastian-parish/>

SPRING INTO SERVICE - The annual Sebs "Spring Into Service" will occur on Saturday, May 11th from 1-4pm, organized by the Parish Stewardship Committee. We are inviting all students and families to help St. Sebastian remain a welcoming place by sprucing up our church, school and grounds. We'll gather at the church at 1:00, then spread out to rake, weed, clean and do what it takes to make the campus sparkle. At 3:30, we'll celebrate with a complimentary ice cream social in the multi-purpose.

DISCOVERY DAY (FORMERLY KNOWN AS “HIGH INTEREST DAY”) IS FAST APPROACHING! -
Please mark your calendars for Friday, May 24th, 8:00-12:00 and join us for a day full of fun! We continue to need your help!

Do you have a cool talent? Do you cook? love science? Bird house building? Or have a great idea for DISCOVERY DAY? Want to share your fun ideas with some pretty great kids?!?! Time is running out! Please contact Brad Rochford bprochford@gmail.com and share your interests/availability asap. We still need volunteers to greet presenters, lead classes to different activities and assist presenters in fun activities. Please contact bprochford@gmail.com if able to help in any way! Your help is needed to make this day a success for our kids and much appreciated. Please help us make this “the best day of the year!”

UPCOMING HOME & SCHOOL EVENTS -

Fish Fry sit-down (7th grade) 5/3

Scrap Metal Drive-Saturday May 4th

Teacher Appreciation week luncheon-5/9 hosted by H&S

Teacher's luncheon-week of 5/13-5/17 hosted by Kristin Rebholz-Hatten & K4

Grandparents Day -(FRIDAY) 5/17

Spring Adult Social- 5/11

Beats & Eats 5/31

Field Day 6/6 (volunteers needed more info to come!)

SIGN UP FOR ST. SEBASTIAN SUMMER ACADEMY! - St. Sebastian will again host Summer Academy, an academic skills program designed to help your student maintain their academic skills and enjoy new enriching opportunities. Summer Academy runs from 8:00 pm - 12:30 pm and will be in session the weeks of June 17-21, June 24-28, July 8-12, and July 15-19. Choice students must register for all 4 weeks and must attend at least 15 days of Summer Academy to receive Choice funding. Classes are offered for students entering grades K5 through 5th grades. Please complete the attached forms and return them to the School Office by Friday, May 17th to reserve your student's spot!

ST. SEBASTIAN SPRING SOCIAL: "FIELD TRIP!" MAY 11, 2019, 7-10 PM. – **We still have spots left** for this year's Spring Social at AXE MKE. Don't miss out on your chance to throw sharp axes at large targets. At 7pm on Saturday, May 11th, all attendees will meet at the school, enjoy merriment, jump on a Yellow Bus, and head to on the adult field trip to AXE MKE. We will have AXE MKE rented for two hours, six death-defying lanes, from 8-10 pm. We encourage all to wear lumberjack gear: plaids, tartans, and steel toes. Note, covered shoes are a requirement for AXE MKE. The tickets will be \$45 per person, which will provide transportation to the bar (but not back), open bar (beer, wine, rail), light snacks, an axe-throwing lesson, and ninety minutes of axe-throwing. We will end our experience at AXE MKE at 10 pm, at which point attendees will find their way home...or elsewhere. Note well, the space at AXE MKE is limited to the first 48 people, so first come, first serve. Attached please find the RSVP, which, along with a check, will reserve your spot. Please contact Molly Ambrose at mambrose@saintsebs.org with any questions.

BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK CONTEST - It is time to raise the woof for second grader Ella Rose Banks who is a winner in the Wisconsin Humane Society Be Kind to Animals Week poetry contest. Ella will read her poem on Sunday, May 5th at the Humane Society for a special program that recognizes all winners in both the poster and poetry categories. This year's theme is Kindness Rocks. Way to put your best paw forward, Ella Rose!

In recognition of "Be Kind to Animals Week" next week, May 5-11, Student Council will be collecting gently used towels for the Wisconsin Humane Society. Please have your child(ren) bring in towels to their classroom any time next week.

SAVE THE DATE - Coffee House Showcase, Thursday, May 16th, 6:00 PM in the Church Hall. We will be showcasing students' special talents with a surprise guest. Bring mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, aunts and uncles as well. This event will be held the night before Grandparents Day. Sponsored by Student Council.